

# FAMILY HISTORY

## PATRIARCHAL BLESSING OF MINNIE M. CROOK

Patriarchal blessing given at Heber City, January 23, 1900  
by John H. Murdock, patriarch, on the head of Minnie M. Crook  
daughter of James and Agnes Lindsay, born in Heber City October 30,  
1874.

Dear sister Minnie M. Crook by your request I lay my hands upon  
your head and confer upon you a Patriarchal blessing that you may be  
comforted and that it may rest upon you from this time henceforth and  
forever. Thou art of the seed of Joseph through the lineage of  
Ephraim a true Ephraimite. In as much as you have been inclined to  
receive the gospel to which you are a legal heir, you shall be great-  
ly blessed of the Lord, his spirit shall rest upon you and dictate  
unto you in your arduous labors in raising your children that have been  
given unto you to bring up in the fear and admonition of the Lord that  
through your motherly teachings they may become noble men and women  
that will rise up and bless you and comfort you in your declining  
years that will hand down your honorable name to generations that are  
yet unborn. You shall be greatly blessed with abundance of the good  
things of this life. In connection with your husband you shall be  
able through your faithfulness to obtain for yourselves and your  
posterity an everlasting inheritance among the people of God.  
Therefore be of good cheer for the Lord has watched over you and  
guided and protected you and qualified you for the great work that  
lies before you. You are chosen of the Lord to become a savior to  
assist in the salvation of many of your kindred and friends, for  
which purpose your life shall be preserved to accomplish all that the  
Lord has in store for you. You are a chosen instrument in His hand,  
therefore listen to the still small voice of the spirit that will  
dictate to you in all your arduous labors. Look unto the Lord, He

will direct you in all your ways and give unto you that wisdom that  
shall be necessary for you in every emergency. Which blessings  
together with all your heart may desire in righteousness. I seal upon  
you through your obedience in faithfulness in keeping the commandments  
of God. I seal you up unto eternal life to come forth in the morning  
of the first resurrection and be crowned with many of your kindred  
in honor and glory and be prepared for a higher exaltation, in the  
name of Jesus Christ, Amen.